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FORM

OF

PRAYER

WITH

THANKSGIVING

FOR THE

Safe Delivery of the QUEEN,

And happy BIRTH of the

Young Prince.

TO BE

Used on Sunday next, being the Seventeenth Day of this Instant *June*, in all Churches and Chappels, within the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, and Ten Miles distance; And upon the First Day of *July* next, in all other Places throughout this Kingdom of *England*, Dominion of *Wales*, and Town of Berwick upon *Tweed*.

By His Majesties special Command.

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A FORM of PRAYER WITH THANKSGIVING

For the ſafe Delivery of the QUEEN, and happy Birth of the Young PRINCE. To be Uſed on *Sunday* next, being the 17th Day of this inſtant *June*, in all Churches and Chappels within the Cities of *London* and *Weſtminſter*, and Ten Miles diſtance; and upon the Firſt Day of *July* next, in all other Places throughout this Kingdom of *England*, Dominion of *Wales*, and Town of *Berwick* upon *Tweed*.

¶ This Service ſhall be the ſame with the uſual Office for the Days above named, except where it is hereafter otherwiſe appointed.

¶ At the beginning of Morning Prayer the Miniſter ſhall read theſe Sentences following.

Offer unto the Lord Thankſgiving: and pay thy Vows unto the moſt High. Pſal. l. 14.

An Offering of a free heart will I give thee: and praiſe thy Name, O Lord. Pſal. liv. 6.

¶ In the place of [*Venite exultemus*] shall be used this following Hymn.

Psal. cv. ver. 1. **O Give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon his Name: tell the people what things he hath done.**

2. O let your songs be of him, and praise him: let your talking be of all his wondrous works.

xxix. 2. **Give the Lord the honour due unto his Name: worship the Lord with holy worship.**

cxlv. 4. One generation shall praise thy works unto another: and declare thy power.

xcii. 4. **For thou, Lord, hast made me glad through thy works: I will rejoyce in giving praise, for the operations of thy hands.**

xiii. 6. I will sing of the Lord because he hath dealt so lovingly with me; yea, I will praise the Name of the Lord most High.

xxviii. 9. **The Lord is my strength: he is the wholsome defence of his Anointed.**

xviii. 51. Great prosperity giveth he unto his King: and sheweth loving kindness to David his Anointed, and to his seed for evermore.

cvii. 21. **O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness: and declare the wonders he doth for the children of men.**

22. That they would offer unto him the sacrifice of thanksgiving: and tell out his works with gladness.

32. **That they would exalt him also in the congregation of the People: and praise him in the seat of the Elders.**

cxvii. 2. For his merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us: and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, &c.

¶ Proper

¶ Proper Pſalms 72. 89.

¶ Proper Leſſons { Iſaiah 12.
St. Matth. 22. from v. 15. to the end.

¶ To be added in the Verſicles after the Creed.

O Lord, ſave the King.
And let his ſeed be mighty upon earth.
Let him evermore rejoyce in thy ſtrength:
And be exceeding glad in thy ſalvation.
O Lord, ſave the Queen.
And make her as a fruitful Vine.
Endue thy Miniſters with righteouſneſs, &c.

¶ The firſt Collect inſtead of that for the day.

O Almighty and everlaſting Lord God of heaven and earth, who madeſt the World and all that is therein, and giveſt to all men life and breath and all things; We devoutly offer our moſt hearty thanks to thy Divine Majeſty, that thou haſt given our Dread Sovereign his hearts deſire, and haſt not denied us the requeſt of our lips, in bleſſing him and our Gracious Queen with a Son, and all his Subjects with a Prince. Stability the thing; O God, that thou haſt wrought among us. Grant the Princely Infant health, ſtrength, and long life; that he may grow up to live in thy fear, and to thy glory, and to excell in all virtues becoming his high Birth, and the Royal Dignity to which thou haſt ordained him. O prepare thy loving mercy and faithfulneſs, that they may ever preſerve him, for the honour of thy Name, and the eſtabliſhment of the peace, ſecurity and happineſs of theſe Nations from generation to generation, and this we beg

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for Jesus Christ his sake our only Mediatour and Redeemer. Amen.

¶ At the end of the Litany, immediately after [*We humbly beseech thee*] this following Prayer is to be used.

O Most powerful and glorious God, who art wonderful in all the mysterious acts of thy Providence, and adorable in the various distributions of thy justice and mercy to the children of men; We meekly humble our selves, and fall low before the footstool of thy grace, rendring thee all worship and thanks, that, although for our manifold sins most justly provoking thee, thou in thy wrath hast heretofore taken from us so many of the Royal Progeny, yet in the midst of judgment thou hast remembred mercy, and according to thy continual goodness hast revived our hopes, and begun to repair our former losses, by renewing fruitfulness to the Queen, and giving birth to a Royal Prince. We beseech thee, O Lord, give the King and all his People, such a due sense of this thy mercy, that our devout and thankful acceptance, and right use of it, may divert thy judgments for the future, and incline thee to bestow more such publick blessings upon us. So we who are thy people will returne evermore, in every thing giving thanks unto thee, through our only Mediatour and Advocate Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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¶ In the Communion-Service next after the Commandments, the first Collect shall be the same as in the Morning Prayer, [*O Almighty and Everlasting Lord God of heaven and earth*, &c.]

¶ Then shall follow one of the two Collects for the King.

¶ The Epistle, Colos. III. from vers. 12. to v. 18.
¶ The Gospel, S. Luke I. from vers. 57. to v. 67.

¶ After the Prayer for the Church Militant, shall follow this Prayer.

O Lord our Governour, whose Name is excellent in all the World, and who art King for ever and ever: We praise and bless thy Divine Goodness, for all the marvellous Protections, and signal Favours, thou hast vouchsafed thy Servant our Gracious King JAMES: particularly that after thou hadst preserved him from the dangers of War, from the rage of the Sea, and from the madness of the People, thou didst in thy due time bring him to great honour, by setting him on the Throne of his Ancestors, and hast now enlarged thy Blessings towards him, by this happy increase of the Royal Issue: We most humbly beseech Thee, to continue and multiply these thy mercies to him and us; That thou would'st give him Sons to grow up as the young plants, and that his daughters may be as the polish'd Corners of the Temple. Bless, O Lord, the whole Royal Family, with the blessings of the Heavens above, with the blessings of the Deep beneath, with the blessings of the Breasts and of the Womb; That when the

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King's days shall be fulfilled, and he shall sleep with his Fathers in Peace and Glory, his Seed may be set up after him, and his House and Kingdom may be establish'd for ever before Thee. Grant this, O Lord, for Jesus Christ his sake our only Saviour. Amen.

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